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1. In response to MAO Tse-tung's production promotion and austerity program, Chinese Communist authorities in southern Fukien have initiated a water conservation program in the Changchou (117-42, 24-32) - Chinchiang (118-34, 24-54) area. The Communists appointed the Chin Tung Water Conservation Committee for the area at the eastern end of the Chin River, with PIEN Tung-han (3079/2639/3352) as committee chairman. PIEN is deputy magistrate of Chinchiang Hsien. In the period from 30 April to 5 May 1952, the committee mobilized about 70,000 people in this area to dredge and repair an irrigation waterway sixty li in length. This waterway was expected to irrigate about 50,000 mou of land.
2. The Changchou Peasants' Association has ordered centrifugal-type water pumps from the Fukien Second Machinery Factory, for delivery before the end of May. The water pumps are to be used in case of drought.
3. Production offices have been created in various hsien to organize peasants and laborers for a greater production effort.
4. South Fukien Communists have begun a demobilization program to enable veterans to return home to work. On 20 May about 400 men were sent back to Lungch'i (117-42, 24-32) to assist in production.

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1. [REDACTED] Comment. According to available information, the land reform program in Changchou was completed at the end of 1951.

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